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**YUBA COUNTY WOMAN SENTENCED FOR FELONY
OFFENSE OF LYING TO A FEDERAL OFFICER**

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that GAYLE LEA FARINHA, 42, of Wheatland, California, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Edward J. Garcia for making false statements to a federal probation officer and for drug use in violation of her supervised release.

This case is the product of investigation by the United States Probation Office and the United States Marshals Service.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rodriguez, who prosecuted the case, on multiple occasions in February 2006, FARINHA lied to a U.S. probation officer concerning her whereabouts, daily activities, employment, and earnings. FARINHA also used and possessed illegal drugs.

Today, FARINHA was sentenced to a year and a day of federal incarceration for her federal offenses. After service of her federal term of incarceration, FARINHA will be on supervised release from federal custody for an additional 36 months. FARINHA has been remanded into federal custody.

Joe Glaspie, Deputy Chief of the U.S. Probation Office said, “Offenders on federal supervised release must know that lying to supervising probation officers is not only a technical violation of the standard conditions of release but it is counterproductive to the rehabilitation process, as well as a federal crime.”

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